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In Search of Artist to Redesign Miami Beach's Manhole Covers

Miami Beach, FL – The City of Miami Beach's Art in Public Places Committee is seeking an artist to create an original work of art for the City's manhole covers to further promote the City as a world-renowned cultural destination. The artwork, which will be selected by the Miami Beach City Commission, will replace existing manhole covers.

Interested artists should submit a proposal of an original design for the center of the manhole covers and include an iconic image of what the artist believes defines the City of Miami Beach. The project is open to any artist who is a resident of Miami-Dade County. Only one design per artist is allowed. No color will be used and the design must be able to be converted to solid cast mold.

The deadline to submit proposals is Wednesday, July 5, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. All works will be reviewed by the Committee prior to approval by the Commission. For additional information and technical requirements regarding this project, please visit http://www.miamibeachfl.gov/newcity/depts/arce/appccall.asp or contact Dennis Leyva at 305.604.2477or dennisleyva@miamibeachfl.gov.

The Art in Public Places Committee (AiPP) of the City of Miami Beach is a City Commission appointed volunteer board responsible to recommend the location and selection of works of art in all media. Funds from construction projects are aggregated into the Art in Public Places Fund and allocated for artwork at public sites.